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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Without prejudice, this listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-19 (Canceled).

20. (Previously Presented) A receiver for receiving a radio broadcasting signal, the receiver comprising:

a signal decoder for decoding an encoded signal contained in encoded form in the radio broadcast signal, the encoded signal including at least one of an audio signal in encoded form and a data signal in encoded form;

wherein:

the encoded signal is decoded only when the signal decoder obtains an external authentication signal that is received via an external transmission path that is different from a transmission path of the radio broadcast signal;

at least one component of the receiver is controllable using a control signal transmittable via the external transmission path; and

the signal decoder includes a multiplexer, a first looped-through signal path on which no decoding takes place, and a second signal path including an audio decoder, the first and second signal paths being connected to the multiplexer controlled by the audio decoder.

21. (Previously Presented) The receiver of claim 20, wherein an output of the multiplexer is connected to a post-connected audio-signal processing unit.

22. (Previously presented) The receiver of claim 20, wherein the signal decoder includes

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a third signal path having a data decoder.

23. (Previously presented) The receiver of claim 22, wherein an output of the data decoder is connected to the control unit.

Claims 24-32 (Canceled).